

DIARY NOTES

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21 January 1959

1. Brigadier General John Breit, a classmate who is now the new Director of Special Investigations, Office of the Inspector General, Department of the Air Force, telephoned to say that he wanted to come over to CIA and meet some of the Security and Counterintelligence people with whom he would be dealing with in his position; he also wanted to renew his acquaintance with General Cabell. I arranged with General Cabell to have a luncheon for him on Friday to be followed by a briefing at which representatives of the Office of Security and the CI Staff would participate.

2. [REDACTED] reported to me that the Department of State seriously objected to any unnecessary travel in the African area at this time and, accordingly, we agreed to postpone the proposed trips of Dr. [REDACTED] of the Office of Training.

3. [REDACTED] reported that the Office of the DD/P had agreed to supply \$80,000 for [REDACTED].

4. Frank Ecker, Bureau of the Budget, called and wanted to follow up on Bob Macy's notes which he made following his trip [REDACTED] in December and I told him that I would arrange a meeting in early February. I must follow up on this with the Office of Training and get ready for such a meeting.

5. I spent some time with [REDACTED] in discussing the manpower situation in the Office of Communications. He will not be able to complete his study of the various functions and activities until about mid-February because reports from the Field are not yet in. However, he has accepted an objective which he believes can meet the total reduction of 3% from his present ceiling. I think he can meet this also since it does not seem probable to me that we are going to have to supply 43 positions for the Critical Intelligence problem. In addition, he is now [REDACTED] under strength and 34 of these are his development complement which has an authorized strength of 99.

6. I discussed [REDACTED] Fitness Report with him and told him that while I was signing the Report which was a very good one I felt that he could, if he put forth a little more effort, be of greater assistance to the Special Planning Assistant on things other than emergency planning. He agreed to take some initiative in this direction. I also told him that it had been reported to me on several occasions that he habitually got to work at nine o'clock, or possibly later, and that I would expect in the future that unless he had a good reason for not reporting on time that he would do so.

7. [REDACTED] advised me that Mr. Bissell wanted to set up a Planning Group for a possible Task Force [REDACTED] right away. I must follow up on this with [REDACTED]

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8. Monsignor McAllister telephoned to request some assistance in connection with [REDACTED] who is an applicant for a position with Catholic University. I told him that the Department of State would be the appropriate place for him to ask his question, and when he asked me as to the specific division or person he should approach I told him that if he would give me the essential information I would try to get it for him from the Department or have someone from the Department telephone him; he was most appreciative.

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